

Agenda for Warm-Season Grass Training

Date: July 31, 2008

Time: 10:00-3:00

Location: Plant Materials Center, Big Flats, NY 3266A RT 352 Corning, NY 14830

- 10:00 Introductions, housekeeping items
Plant Material Program, and available resources
- 10:15 Selection, Establishment and Uses
1. Cool vs. warm season grasses
 2. Species and cultivar selection
 3. Seeding methods
 4. Establishment considerations
- 10:45 Seed Handling
1. Ordering seed, understanding seed tags, PLS and dormant seed
 2. Pre-planting treatments
- 11:00 Weed control and maintenance
1. Herbicide use prior to and during establishment
 2. Herbicide management
- 11:20 BREAK
- 11:35 DEC Mine reclamation and Fish and Wildlife experience – Mike Meyers
- 12:00 LUNCH- Either bring your own or will need to go off facility nearby to obtain
- 1:00 Field ID of mature warm season grasses & seedling ID
1. Identification of seedlings
 2. Evaluate new and established plantings
 3. ID of mature warm-season grasses
 4. Making seed collections for the Plant Materials Program
- 1:30-2:30 Operation and Calibration of seed drill
1. Hand book method (using seed balance)
 2. Calibration in the field
 3. Calibrating for seed mixes.
- 2:30 Wrap up & Questions

Please **RSVP** with the number attending by Thursday, July 24th by calling 607-562-8404, or emailing julie.depue@ny.usda.gov. Put DOT WSG in subject line. This will assist us in planning the details.

Directions: Take Route 17 (I 86) to Exit 48 (East Corning/Route 352). Follow Route 352 east for 1.5 miles. PMC entrance is on the left.

For information on facilities, services, or to request sign language interpretation, or other auxiliary aids contact Julie at least 10 days prior to the meeting.